

## **CHAPTER 7**

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(The Fire Prevention Code is Part 2 of Chapter 5, Code Enforcement.)

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## **Part 1**

### **Fire Protection**

#### **A. Fire Protection and Basic Life Support Services**

##### **§101. Composition of Fire Department.**

The Fire Department of the Borough of Gettysburg shall be composed of the fire company or fire companies recognized by the Borough Council as such, and for the present shall be composed only of the Gettysburg Fire Department with its headquarters located at 35 North Stratton Street in the Borough of Gettysburg. (Ord. 1217-99, 2/8/1999, §1)

##### **§102. Fire Company Officers.**

The officers of the various fire companies comprising the Fire Department shall be those prescribed by the by-laws of the respective companies. (Ord. 1217-99, 2/8/1999, §1)

##### **§103. Apparatus and Equipment.**

Policy on purchase, ownership, repair, maintenance and insurance of the apparatus, equipment and other property pertaining to Fire Department and the financing thereof shall be determined from time to time by mutual agreement between the Borough Council and the various fire companies comprising the Fire Department, but it shall be unlawful for any person other than a fireman in regular standing and those designated by the fire company to mount or place himself on or upon any piece of fire apparatus while the same is being prepared for a fire or while going to, while at or while returning from a fire or alarm. (Ord. 1217-99, 2/8/1999, §1)

##### **§104. Basic Life Support Provider.**

The Gettysburg Fire Department is hereby designated as the primary provider of basic life support services. The Regional EMS Council and the Adams County Communications Center shall be notified of this designation. (Ord. 1217-99, 2/8/1999, §1)

##### **§105. Penalties.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate §103 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000; and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days. (Ord. 1217-99, 2/8/1999, §1; as amended by Ord. 1236-99, 12/13/1999, §1)

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### **B. Advanced Life Support Services**

#### **§111. Designation of Advanced Life Support Services.**

Medic 28 of the Gettysburg Hospital is hereby designated as the primary provider of advanced life support services in the Borough of Gettysburg. (Ord. 1216-99, 2/8/1999, §1)

## **Part 2**

### **Smoke Detectors**

#### **§201. Definitions.**

For purposes of this Part 2, the following words shall have the following meaning:

**DWELLING UNIT** — A structure, or portion thereof, building or portion thereof, arranged for the use of one or more individuals living together as a housekeeping unit on a permanent, temporary or transient basis which may or may not include sanitary facilities or facilities for preparation, storage or serving of food.

**OWNER** — Any person who, alone, or jointly or severally with other persons, has legal title to any premises. This includes any person who has charge, care or control over any premises as (a) an agent, officer, fiduciary, or employee of the owners; (b) the committee, conservator, or legal guardian of an owner who is incompetent, a minor or otherwise under a disability; (c) a trustee, elected or appointed, or a person required by law to act as a trustee, other than a trustee under a deed of trust to secure the payment of money; or (d) an executor, administrator, receiver, fiduciary, officer appointed by any court, attorney-in-fact, or other similar representative of the owner or his or her estate. This does not include a lessee, a sublessee or other person who merely has the right to occupy or possess a premises.

**SMOKE DETECTOR** — A device which detects visible or invisible particles of combustion, and is capable of providing a suitable audible alarm of at least 85 decibels at 10 feet either ionization or photo-electric type.

(Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985)

#### **§202. Smoke Detectors Required in Dwelling Units.**

In each dwelling unit or individual apartment within buildings used as a multiple dwelling, there shall be provided by the owner of the real estate, a minimum of one smoke detector sensing device, which has received Underwriters Laboratories approval. (Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985)

#### **§203. Alarm Requirements.**

Said smoke detector sensing device shall provide an alarm suitable to warn occupants within individual dwelling units in the event of fire. (Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985)

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### **§204. Time of Installation.**

The smoke detector sensing device shall be installed as above in all multiple dwellings immediately and shall be installed, by the owner, in all other buildings within the Borough not later than upon change of ownership of the real estate upon which the building is erected. (Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985)

### **§205. Penalties.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than three \$1,000; and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days. Every day that a violation of this Part continues shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. 1028-85, 8/12/1985; as amended by Ord. 1236-99, 12/13/1999, §1)